

error, one due to weather, and one due to the presence of a bull on the runway. In the 17 accidents mainly attributable to pilot error, maintenance of aircraft was a contributing factor in two cases and weather was a contributing factor in two other cases.

(d) Measures for enhancing the level of air safety are continuously taken, like implementation of the recommendations emanating from investigations of aircraft accidents and hazardous incidents, dissemination of safety information, monitoring of Cockpit Voice Recorders, and Flight Data Recorders, monitoring flight crew proficiency and periodic inspection of aerodromes.

Earnings from Sahibganj to Jahajghat and Sakri to Jahajghat Railway Lines

5562. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of goods transported through the railway line laid between Sahibganj to Jahajghat and between Sakri to Jahajghat in Sahibganj district and the extent of income earned there from during the last three years;

(b) the expenditure incurred in laying the said lines; and

(c) the steps being taken to make those lines more remunerative?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) The branch lines from Sahibganj Jn. and Sakrigali Jn. to Sakrigalighat popularly known as Jahajghat has been closed for over ten years and there has been no goods traffic and the earnings therefrom on this line.

(b) The expenditure incurred on laying these lines is not available, as they were laid more than 50 years ago.

(c) Does not arise.

Transportation of Grit in Bihar

5563. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the length of rail line laid to transport grit of black stones in Pakud, Bakudih, Maharajanj of Bihar and Rampur Hat and Murarai areas of West Bengal, the date on which this line become operational and the quantity of grit transported so far;

(b) the year-wise amount of freight received by the Government thereon;

(c) whether it is proposed to lay another rail line in the area in near future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[Translation]

Overbridge at Maksi

5564. SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is heavy rush of traffic on a railway crossing at Maksi (Madhya Pradesh) on Agra-Bombay road;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to construct an overbridge on the railway crossing there;

(c) if so, by what time; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?